

To the Honorable Council City of Norfolk, Virginia

RE: O'Keefe Street Realignment

Lady and Gentlemen:

Presented herewith is an ordinance approving the acquisition by purchase or condemnation of a vacant lot on the southwest corner of O'Keefe Street and Johnson Avenue in Huntersville.

The property is required by the Public Works Department for the O'Keefe Street Realignment Project.

Recommendation: Adopt ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,

Regina V.K. Williams

City Manager

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Pursuant to Section 72 of the City Charter, I hereby certify that the money required for this item is in the city treasury to the credit of the fund from which it is drawn and not appropriated for any other purpose.

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Director of Finance

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## ORDINANCE No.

AN ORDINANCE FINDING A PUBLIC NECESSITY FOR THE ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR PUBLIC STREET IMPROVEMENT PURPOSES; AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION NEGOTIATION OR BY CONDEMNATION OF THE SAID PROPERTIES SITUATE IN THE CITY OF NORFOLK, BELONGING F. TO MARGARET GODDARD; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE SUM OF \$7,900.00 TO ACQUIRE THE SAME.

WHEREAS, the City of Norfolk, by Virginia Code Sections 15.2-1800 and -2000 et seq., is empowered to acquire property for public streets and street improvement purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Norfolk, by Section 136(a) of its City Charter, 1948 Acts of the General Assembly, Ch. 233, as amended by Acts 1962, Ch. 62, is empowered to exercise the power of eminent domain to acquire title to property or any interest therein for public uses; and

WHEREAS, it is the judgment of the Council of the City of Norfolk that the property hereinafter described is

necessary for use for public street and street improvement purposes at the location hereinafter described; and

WHEREAS, the total estimated funds necessary to compensate the owners thereof for such property is \$7,900.00; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Norfolk:

Section 1:- That pursuant to the provisions Virginia Code Sections 15.2-1800 and -2000 et seq., the Council finds that acquisition of the properties hereinafter described is necessary for public streets and street improvement purposes.

Section 2:- That the City Attorney be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to take such action as necessary to acquire title in fee simple to the said property, including negotiation with the owners and/or their agents, further including the institution condemnation proceedings as provided for Norfolk City Charter Section 136(a) for the acquisition of the property hereinafter described in fee simple and the estimated amount to be paid to the owner or owners thereof, as set forth and described as follows:

To Margaret F. Goddard or the owner or owners and tenants of the following described properties situate in the City of Norfolk - \$7,900.00.

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon, currently known as 775 Johnson Avenue, situate, lying and being in the City of Norfolk, Virginia, at the southwestern intersection of Johnson Avenue and O'Keefe Street (formerly Nottingham Street) and known, numbered and designated as Lot 32, as shown on the plat of T. J. Nottingham's property,

which plat is duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Chesapeake, Virginia in Deed Book 143 at Page 429; said lot fronts 25 feet on the southern side of Johnson Avenue with a depth between parallel lines of 90 feet.

It being the same property conveyed to Margaret F. Goddard by Deed from Watson Entrepeneurial and Investment Corporation, a Virginia corporation, dated January 21, 2000 and recorded as #000001753 in the Clerk's Office of the Norfolk Circuit Court.

Section 3:- That all previous actions taken by the City Attorney in negotiating for the acquisition of said property are hereby ratified.

Section 4:- That the sum of \$7,900.00 is hereby authorized to be spent from monies previously appropriated to be expended for the acquisition of these properties.

Section 5:- That this ordinance shall be in effect from and after its adoption.